

# TOWN OF ROCKLAND

## Board of Selectmen

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### February 2, 2009 Executive Session Minutes

*Chairman:*

James F. Simpson

*Vice Chairman:*

Lawrence J. Chaffee

*Selectmen:*

Michael E. Zupkofska

Michael P. Johnson

Deborah A. O'Brien

*Town Administrator:*

Allan R. Chiocca

Date: 2/2/09 Time: 9:45 pm Place: Selectmen's Office

*Executive Assistant:*

Mary B. Stewart

1.) Mr. Simpson moved to go into executive session to discuss negotiations with non-union and union personnel. Seconded by Ms. O'Brien

Mr. Zupkofska	YES
Mr. Johnson	YES
Ms. O'Brien	YES
Vice Chairman Chaffee	YES
Chairman Simpson	YES

When executive session ends the BOS intends to adjourn.

Also present were Deputy Chief Ferguson, Atty. Clifford, Town Administrator Chiocca, Tom Henderson FF Union President and Marc Oshry.

Mr. Henderson and Mr. Oshry wished to speak to the BOS regarding pending issues before the BOS:

1. Gasoline contamination as the Fire Department-FFs would like copies of material on file. Mr. Chiocca to find old file and review
2. FFS dropped request for information regarding Fire Department donation account.
3. Discussion took place regarding FF Union concerns about implementing the new AMBU-PRO reporting system. FF grievance will be withdrawn.
4. Discussion regarding LT Erickson grievance referred back to Interim Chief Ferguson, Lt. Erickson will offered first training when available.
5. Discussion took place regarding a FF who has been out sick and wants to return to duty. The BOS had previously extended benefits through January 5, 2009 and has since allowed the Union to fill shifts on his behalf. The FF now wants to return to work. The BOS wants a town physician to examine the FF prior to his return to be assured the FF is ready and able to perform all the duties incumbent upon him. The Union doesn't believe the town has the right to order the exam.

Union Officers Henderson and Oshry left the room.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Zupkofska to deny the item #5 grievance, Roll Call vote 5-0

Interim Chief Ferguson is supposed to provide the BOS a list of who has covered shifts for the FF while he has been out.

Motion by Mr Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Chaffee for an independent medical review of the FF prior to his return, Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

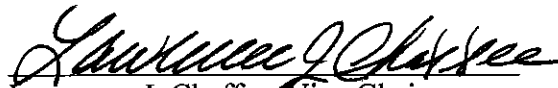
Motion to authorize 2 paid shifts to the FF if necessary prior to getting an appointment by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. O'Brien Roll Call vote 4-1(Zupkofska).

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Zupkofska, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. O'Brien Roll Call vote passed 5-0.

Meeting ended at 11:25pm



Allan R. Chiocca  
Town Administrator



Lawrence J. Chaffee, Vice Chairman  
for the Board of Selectmen